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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: CAMBODIA: SWEDISH AMBASSADOR IN PEKING TO VISIT CAMBODIA

1. FALDEMAR FRANTZEN, THE FORMER SWEDISH CONSUL GENERAL IN CAMBODIA, CALLED ON ME FEB. 18. I HAD KNOWN HIM PERSONALLY IN PHNOM PENH WHERE HE HAD SIGNIFICANT BUSINESS INTERESTS. FRANTZEN IS A DANE AND NOW WORKS IN DENMARK. HE JUST RETURNED HERE YESTERDAY FROM STOCKHOLM WHERE HE WAS TOLD BY SWEDISH FOREIGN OFFICE THAT SWEDISH AMBASSADOR IN PEKING AND A MEMBER OF SWEDISH FOREIGN MINISTRY IN STOCKHOLM WILL VISIT PHNOM PENH THIS WEEK FOR A PERIOD OF APPROXIMATELY 14 DAYS. PURPOSE OF TRIP IS TO ESTABLISH DIRECT CONTACT WITH PHNOM PENH AUTHORITIES AND TO EXPLORE TRADE AND ECONOMIC AID POSSIBILITIES. ACCORDING TO FRANTZEN, SWEDES WILL HAVE TO REMAIN IN CAMBODIA FOR ABOUT TWO WEEKS BEFORE RETURNING TO PEKING BECAUSE OF THE FEW FLIGHTS IN AND OUT OF CAMBODIA.

2. I AM SIGNALLING THIS EVENT TO DEPT'S ATTENTION SINCE IT MAY BE FIRST TIME OBJECTIVE, PROFESSIONAL WESTERN OBSERVERS WILL BE VISITING CAMBODIA SINCE THE COMMUNIST TAKEOVER LAST YEAR. FRANTZEN WILL RETURN TO STOCKHOLM AT THE END OF FEBRUARY TO MEET WITH THE SWEDISH FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL WHO IS MAKING THE CAMBODIA VISIT IN ORDER TO GET A FIRST HAND READING OF THE SWEDES' IMPRESSION OF THE SITUATION THERE. IN THE EVENT THAT DEPT IS INTERESTED IN OBSERVATIONS
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OF THE SWEDES, OUR MISSIONS IN STOCKHOLM AND PEKING MAY WISH

TO FOLLOW UP DIRECTLY WITH THE TWO SWEDISH OFFICIALS
INVOLVED.
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